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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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S.1, Special Branch *Stall 205*

Date *July 1, 1939*

Subject *Soong Kuan Lin (宋桂林) - antecedents*

Made by *C.D.I. Sih Tse-liang*

Forwarded by *M. Lagan*

With reference to the attached communication dated June 26, 1939, from the office of the British General Staff, Shanghai, seeking information concerning one Soong Kuan Lin, enquiries have been made and the following ascertained :-

60 years of age and a native of Pootung, Soong Kuan Lin was in the employ of Mr. B. KRENOV at House 1, 351 Avenue du Roi Albert as "house boy" for about 10 years until May of this year when, on the recommendation of his employer, he obtained the position of coolie at the Lucerne Dairy, 381 Great Western Road, of which Mr. Krenov is the manager.

Owing to the state of infirmity due to his age, Soong Kuan Lin found the work required of a coolie at the Lucerne Dairy too strenuous for him and on June 26, he served as substitute for his eldest son named Miao Seng (妙生), who is employed at the office of the British General Staff.

Soong Kuan Lin has three sons and a daughter, while at his native home in Pootung he has a wife, a daughter-in-law and several grand children. Usually Soong resides with his eldest son in a hut at No. 7, Avenue du Roi Albert, who is employed as coolie in the office of the British General Staff, and who is now on leave. Occasionally Soong stays at the home of his second son who is employed

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as "house boy" by Mr. Krenov at house No. 1, 351 Avenue du Roi Albert and is living at that address. The third son who is still quite young, assists and lives with the second son.

According to the cook employed by Mr. B. Krenov, Soong Kuan Lin has been regarded as an honest individual who has never allowed himself to be involved in any outside activities during his lengthy period of employment at the home of Mr. B. Krenov.

Prior to serving Mr. Krenov some ten years ago, he is known to have served as coolie in the Architects' Office of the China Navigation Company, Shanghai, and also as cook at the British Military Barracks in Tongshan Road.

There is nothing in the records of this office to the detriment of Soong Kuan Lin or any of his three sons.

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BRITISH GENERAL STAFF
SHANGHAI
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Dear Sir,

I would be much obliged if you would cause inquiries to be made into the character of the Chinese subject whose particulars are given below, in order that I can form an opinion as to his suitability for employment as "coolie" in this office:-

Name:- Kuan Lin SOONG. AGE:- 60.

Address:- c/o B. Krenov,
House No. 1,
351, Avenue de Roi Albert,
SHANGHAI.

Yours faithfully,

[Handwritten signature]

Captain,
General Staff.

Deputy Commissioner,
Special Branch,
Shanghai Municipal Police.

G.D. & S.H.

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